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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT LOUIS 0158

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR MILI MP US UR
SUBJECT: MAURITIAN GOVERNMENT INTERESTED IN VISIT BY US NAVY
SHIP IN CONNECTION WITH MARCH 12 INDEPENDENCE
CELEBRATIONS

1. BURRENCHOBAY, SECRETARY TO CABINET AND CLOSE ADVISER TO
PRIME MINISTER RAMGOOLAM, CALLED ME TODAY TO DISCUSS ARRANGE-
MENTS FOR P.M.'S LUNCHEON HONORING CAPTAIN SCHRADER OF USS
LONG BEACH. IN COURSE CONVERSATION BURRENCHOBAY ASKED IF IT
WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE A VISIT TO PORT LOUIS BY A US
NAVY SHIP FOR MAURITIUS' NINTH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE
ON MARCH 12. HE EXPLAINED THAT SOVIET AMBASSADOR S CALLING
ON RAMGOOLAM AND IT IS BELIEVED HE WILL REQUEST CLEARANCE FOR
A VISIT BY SOVIET NAVAL VESSEL IN CONNECTION WITH MARCH 12
CELEBRATIONS. I SAID I WOULD INQUIRE BUT NOTICE IS VERY
SHORT. BURRENCHOBAY THEN SUGGESTED I WAIT TO INQUIRE UNTIL
HE CAN CONFIRM THAT SOVIETS WILL REQUEST PERMISSION FOR A
MARCH 12 NAVAL VISIT.

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2. COMMENT: ACCORDINGLY, THIS IS IN NATURE OF AN ALERT, SINCE
GOM REQUEST CANNOT YET BE CONSIDERED FORMAL. SEEMS APPARENT
THAT GOM WOULD LIKE TO ACCEDE TO SOVIET REQUEST, IF MADE, BUT
WOULD LIKE TO BALANCE THINGS WITH PRESENCE OF A US WARSHIP
AS WELL. OTHERWISE, SOVIETS ARE LIKELY TO BE DOMINANT PRESENCE
AT ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS, WHICH WOULD DETRACT FROM MAURITIUS'

NON-ALIGNED IMAGE. REALIZE TIME IS VERY SHORT, BUT CAN FORESEE
IMPORTANT GAINS WHICH COULD BE REALIZED FROM ACCEDING TO GOM
REQUEST FOR A MARCH 12 US NAVY PORT VISIT IF IT IS MADE FORMALLY.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE PRIORITY GUIDANCE ON RESPONSE TO BE MADE
BY BURRENCHOBAY OR P.M. SHOULD THEY RAISE THIS AGAIN.
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